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SUBJECT: USG PLEDGE TO ICEM FOR 1978 PROGRAM

1. MISSION SHOULD PREPARE AND FORWARD TO ICEM DIRECTOR
THOMAS LETTER ALONG FOLLOWING LINES IN RESPONSE TO HIS
LETTER TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN ON 1978 U.S.
CONTRIBUTION.

2. BEGIN TEXT: ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN HAS ASKED ME
TO REPLY TO YOUR LETTER TO HER OF DECEMBER 16, 1977 ON THE
ASSESSED CONTRIBUTION TO THE 1978 ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET.
I AM AWARE THAT THE CURRENT ASSESSMENT MAY BE SUBJECT TO
REVISION BASED ON AN UPDATED 1978 BUDGET WHICH IS NOW UNDER
PREPARATION.

3. I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES IS
CURRENTLY IN A POSITION TO PLEDGE AN INITIAL AMOUNT OF
\$1,633,170 AS ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE 1978 ADMINISTRATIVE
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BUDGET. ANY FURTHER ASSESSED CONTRIBUTION TO THIS PART OF
THE ICEM BUDGET WILL HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE DECISION TO BE
TAKEN IN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN MID-MARCH ON THE
REVISED 1978 BUDGET. FOLLOWING THAT DECISION THE UNITED
STATES WILL THEN BE IN A POSITION TO CONSIDER WHAT
ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS MAY BE REQUIRED ON THE

ASSESSED CONTRIBUTION.

4. AT THE SAME TIME I AM ALSO PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES PLEDGES \$700,000 AS ITS INITIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE OPERATIONAL BUDGET. OF THIS AMOUNT \$200,000 IS TO BE APPLIED TO THE PROGRAM OF SELECTED MIGRATION FOR LATIN AMERICA. THE BALANCE OF \$500.000 IS TO BE APPLIED TO THE REFUGEE PROGRAM.

5. IN YOUR LETTER TO MS. DERIAN YOU REQUESTED THAT THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION BE DEPOSITIED IN THE ICEM ACCOUNT WITH BANKERS TRUST IN NEW YORK CITY. IT CONTINUES TO BE OUR PREFERENCE TO CHANNEL U.S. CONTRIBUTIONS TO ICEM THROUGH U.S. MISSION, GENEVA, SINCE THIS ARRANGEMENT HAS PROVEN SATISFACTORY OVER THE YEARS, I WOULD HOPE THERE IS NO PARTICULAR DIFFICULTY IN CONTINUING IT.

6. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS THE APPRECIATION OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR ALL THE ASSISTANCE ICEM HAS PROVIDED IN THE PAST AS WE LOOK FORWARD TO A CONTINUING CLOSE COOPERATION AS WE BEGIN A NEW PROGRAM YEAR. END TEXT.

7. COPY OF THOMAS/DERIAN LETTER BEING POUCHED TO BRENNAN AT U.S. MISSION. COPY OF PLEDGE LETTER SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT (HA) WHEN ISSUED.
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8. DEPARTMENT ALLOTING TODAY \$2,333,170 UNDER APPROPRIATION 198194.3 ALLOTMENT 3278 TO COVER ABOVE PLEDGE. CHRISTOPHER

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